

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Rakowski	:	
	:	OXIDATION RESISTANT
Group Art Unit 1793	:	FERRITIC STAINLESS STEELS
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Serial No. 10/654,203	:	
	:	Confirmation No. 5809
Filed September 3, 2003	:	
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Examiner Jessee Randall Roe	:	

**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2312
March 10, 2009

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated September 10, 2008, issued in the above-identified application ("Subject Application"), Applicant submits herewith a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, along with the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of the shortened statutory period pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), extending the response period until March 10, 2009. In connection with the RCE, Applicant requests consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 7.